- Q. And on this copy it has an Exhibit C designation at the bottom in the middle.
 - A. "C", I don't see any "C".
- Q. I think if you flip to the page before the one you're looking at --
 - A. Oh, okay, got it.
- Q. The document that has the title Quit-Claim

 Deed, it's numbered -- the Spencer page number in the

 bottom right corner, 006060, do you see that?
 - A. Correct.

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- Q. That wasn't one of the two pages you brought with you today, was it?
 - A. No.
- Q. But you have seen that title page to the Quit-Claim Deed?
 - A. The one you're talking about now?
- Q. Yeah, the one that has the words Quit-Claim Deed.
 - A. No.
 - Q. Okay. You've not seen that one?
 - A. No.
- Q. Let's turn to the next page in Exhibit 3, it's numbered in the bottom right, Spencer 006061. Have you ever seen that document before?
 - A. No.

under the line, every signature I've ever done has been on the line or above. The "D" is not the same as I sign any paper.

- Q. Okay. Anything else?
- A. I don't know why the 15 is written in instead of typed in.
- Q. Did you always type in a date the day when you notarized a document?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Anything else that you base that testimony on that this is not your signature?
 - A. No.
- Q. And when you said the "E" is below the line, your name it looks like actually is written in twice in this notary block, do you see that? The top section where it says I, and then the name appears Menona D. Landrum, that appears to have been written, doesn't it?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. That "E" is above the line, correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. So when you said the "E" being below the line, you're talking about the actual signature?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And when you said the "D" is not the same as you put it on any paper, are you referring to both "Ds",

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A. No.

- Q. Okay. I think you mentioned, when you said how you first became aware, that there was going to be a program about Mr. Spencer from the article in The Columbian, and it sounded like what you understood from the article was that he had been falsely prosecuted or accused?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Did you form an opinion based upon what you read, the first time you read about that, in the local newspaper as to whether he had been actually falsely accused?
 - A. Did I form an opinion?
 - Q. Right.
 - A. No.
- Q. How about after you watched the 20/20 program, did you have a belief as to whether he had been falsely accused after you saw that program?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. What was your belief or opinion?
- A. That he had been falsely arrested, falsely prosecuted.
- Q. Okay. Between the time you saw the 20/20 program and when Mr. Henderson called you, had you talked to anybody about Mr. Spencer's case?

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- Q. And I think you just said Mr. Henderson didn't tell you anything about why they believed your signature had been forged?
 - A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Would you agree with me that based on you having seen that 20/20 program and formed an opinion, in your own mind, that Mr. Spencer had been falsely accused and falsely prosecuted, that that probably influenced how you received the information from Mr. Henderson that your signature may have been forged on this document?
 - A. No.
 - Q. And why do you think that didn't?
- A. I don't know, why would I have an opinion, and that's my privilege.
- Q. During all of the years that you worked for the Clark County Sheriff's Office, were you ever aware of the situation where a document that bore your notary signature had been forged?
 - A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Okay. If you would look at Exhibit 2, which is

the copy of your declaration.

(Witness complied.)

Q. In paragraph five at the bottom of the first page, the second sentence says, "I have no memory of

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       an inmate on a quit-claim deed or any other type of
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       and notarized a document for an inmate and you just
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      the sentence reads, "To my knowledge, I have never met
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      Mr. Spencer or ever seen him in person." Did I read
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                Is it possible you may have met Mr. Spencer or
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      seen him at some point during the few months he was
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      incarcerated in the Clark County Jail and you simply
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1	A. Never happened.
2	Q. Okay. Do you know what Mr. Spencer looked like
3	back in 1985?
4	A. No.
5	Q. And I'm wondering then how you can be so
6	certain that you never laid eyes on Mr. Spencer, if you
7	wouldn't have even known what he looked like?
8	MS. ZELLNER: You're talking about when he's in
9	jail?
10	MR. BOGDANOVICH: Right, during 1985.
11	THE WITNESS: I didn't see him, I never saw
12	inmates.
13	BY MR. BOGDANOVICH:
14	Q. Is it your testimony that you never notarized
15	any document for any inmate during the whole time you
16	worked for the sheriff's office?
17	A. That's right.
18	Q. Okay. And the other clerk, the jail clerk, you
19	said she was a notary?
20	A. Uh-huh.
21	Q. Do you know whether she ever notarized any
22	documents for inmates?
23	A. I have no idea.
24	Q. Paragraph four of your declaration, it's on the
25	first page, this is Exhibit 2, you say, "Throughout the

38 years that I was with the sheriff's office, I kept my 1 2 notary seal in a drawer of my desk. For a period of 3 time, I locked the drawer before leaving the office at the end of the day. When I arrived at work one morning, 4 5 I discovered that someone had pried open the drawer 6 during the night. The seal was still there and nothing 7 else appeared to be missing. When I realized how easily the drawer could be forced open, I saw no purpose in 8 9 continuing to keep it locked overnight." Did I read 10 that accurately? A. Correct. 11 12 Can you tell me when that incident occurred, when you arrived at work and discovered that your drawer 13 had been pried opened during the night? 14 15 A. No. 16 0. Can you say whether it was sometime in the '70s' 17 as opposed to the '80s? 18 A. No. 19 Can you say whether it was before or after Q. 1985? 20 21 A. No. 22 Q. And it sounded like from the way you were 23 describing the layout of the area where you worked, the 24 public could walk in and could have access to your desk? 25 MS. ZELLNER: Objection, you're confusing the

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locations and time. You've got the layout before they moved to the new building, you've got the old layout.

BY MR. BOGDANOVICH:

- Q. Well, let me ask you Ms. Landrum, we talked about the jail moved from the fifth floor of the courthouse to across the street.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Did your office also relocate to the same building where the jail moved to?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And once that move occurred -- and you said that was in April of 1985?
 - A. Correct Errata: Incorrect, it was April 1984.
- Q. Where was your work station located in the new building?
 - A. On the ground floor.
 - Q. And where was the jail?
- A. I believe there's a walkway between our building and the jail.
- Q. Okay. When you say "walkway," can you -- I mean, was the jail also on the ground floor?
 - A. No, there's two or three floors, I believe.
 - Q. To the jail?
 - A. To the jail.
 - Q. Were they both above the ground floor where

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And that's the seal you're referring to that

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1	there more?
2	A. Well, I know the warrant clerk had a desk in
3	there, I'm sure there were more than one or two desks,
4	but it was just a big room.
5	Q. So in that respect, it was a similar layout to
6	the previous office space you had occupied?
7	A. Right.
8	Q. And was your desk accessible by members of the
9	public entering the civil division?
10	A. Correct, we had a window we could open and
11	close, opened at eight o'clock in the morning and closed
12	at five o'clock at night to the public.
13	Q. Where was the window situated in relation to
14	your desk?
15	A. Right in front of my desk, like I'm sitting
16	here (indicating) and there's that window.
17	Q. Okay. Was the window somehow attached to your
18	desk?
19	A. No.
20	Q. Was it at like a greeting counter of some sort?
21	A. Yeah, there was a counter where you waited on
22	the public.
23	Q. Okay. Could the public walk around the counter
24	to get back into the area where your desk was?
25	A. They could, but they didn't, there's a door.

improperly taken your notary equipment and used them?

- A. No.
- Q. During the entire time that you worked there, were you ever made aware of any circumstances in which Sharon Krause was accused of forging any documents?
 - A. No.
- Q. How about Michael Davidson, were you ever aware of any situation where he was accused of forging any documents?
 - A. No.
- Q. Have you talked to Sharon Krause at anytime since you left the employment of the sheriff's office?
 - A. No.
- Q. I want to go back to the first meeting that you had with Mr. Henderson at your house. You said he told you about his belief that your signature had been forged on one page of the two that he showed you, what happened after that?
- A. We just had a discussion about the case and my job.
- Q. Okay. Can you tell me anything specifically that you discussed about that?
 - A. No.
- Q. Did Mr. Henderson tell you any other details about the case?

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- And based on your viewing of the 20/20 program, it sounds like you had formed an opinion that it did in fact happen?
 - Yes. Α.
- And was that opinion based on anything other Q. than what you saw on the 20/20 program and what you had read previous to that in The Columbian?
 - No. A.
- Did Mr. Henderson type up this declaration Q. while he was at that first meeting at your house?
 - No.
- Is there anything else you recall about Q. what was discussed between you and Mr. Henderson at that first meeting, other than what you've told us?
 - No. Α.
- When Mr. Henderson left your house at Okay. the end of that first meeting, did you have some understanding or agreement of what was going to happen next, if anything?
- Well, he was going to write this declaration, that's all I know.
- Okay. After he left your residence, what was the next communication you had with Mr. Henderson?
 - A. On the 24th when I signed the declaration.
 - Q. Did he come back to your house?

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Q. Okay. And I've asked you a few times to tell
me as best you recall any specifics about what you
discussed with Mr. Henderson about the case. I mean, is
there anything else that comes to mind now, that you
haven't testified to already?

A. No.

- Q. How long was Mr. Henderson at your house the second time when he brought this declaration?
 - A. Probably 30 minutes, 45 minutes.
 - Q. What happened during that 30 or 45 minutes?
 - A. We went over the declaration.
- Q. Did you have any questions for Mr. Henderson about any of the wording in the declaration?
 - A. No.
- Q. So I'm wondering why you would have taken 30 or 45 minutes, if you had no questions about the declaration.
- A. We talked about my husband's illness, we talked about personal things, it had nothing to do with the case.
- Q. Can you tell me how long you think you actually talked about your declaration or the case with Mr. Henderson the second time he came to your house?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Okay. Have you talked to Mr. Henderson since

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he left your house from that second meeting he had with you?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And when was that?
- A. On the telephone.
- Q. Did he call you or did you call him?
- A. I think he called me and said there would probably be a deposition.
- Q. Did he tell you who would be taking the deposition?
 - A. The attorneys for the defendants.
 - Q. Okay. Did he tell you anything else?
 - A. No.
 - Q. How long did that telephone conversation last?
 - A. Five minutes.
- Q. Did you talk about anything other than the fact that there would probably be a deposition?
 - A. No.
- Q. Did he give you the names of any people who would be involved in the probable deposition?
 - A. No.
- Q. Did you have any questions for Mr. Henderson about the deposition he was telling you about, what that would entail, who would be present, anything of that nature?

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- A. Some, yes.
- Q. What did she tell you?
- A. To answer them honestly.
- Q. Did she tell you what the questions were going to be that she was anticipating?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Well, that's my question to you now, what questions did she say she thought we would be asking you?
- A. I can't say word for word verbatim what the questions were.
- Q. Do you remember anything about that meeting this morning and what she thought the questions would be?
 - A. No, I don't.
 - Q. Okay. Have you ever talked to Mr. Johnson?
 - A. Not until today.
- Q. Okay. Was he present at the meeting you had with Ms. Zellner?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Did Mr. Johnson speak at the meeting or did Ms. Zellner do all the talking?
 - A. She did the talking.
 - Q. Is there anybody else that has communicated

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MR. BOGDANOVICH: I have one more group of documents for you to mark.

(Deposition Exhibit No. 4 marked for identification.)

MR. BOGDANOVICH: I'm just about through, the other attorneys may have some questions. Let's take a break and go off the record.

(Off the record discussion.)
BY MR. BOGDANOVICH:

Q. Ms. Landrum, I'm handing you what's been marked as Exhibit 4 to your deposition. I'm going to ask you to take a look at that, and on this one because there are quite a few pages, I want to give you a general description that what I've handed you -- and I'll ask you about a couple specific things in a second. But what I've handed you is a copy of a subpoena in a civil case that I served on behalf of Sharon Krause on the Clark County Sheriff's Office records custodian. And one of the categories of documents we asked them to produce were any that bear your signature dated between January 1st, 1985 and December 31st, 1991.

A. Uh-huh.

admission of Deposition Exhibit No. 4 and all questions related thereto; the foundation for these documents has not been properly laid by the witness; also, the questions essentially seek testimony in the form of expert opinions regarding handwriting, and Defendants have disclosed no handwriting expert Response - Plaintiff waved the foundation objection - see FRCP 32(d)(3). The exhibit is also self-authenticating. No expert testimony is needed, the witness is describing her own observations of her own handwriting. This exhibit and

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Q. So behind the copy of the subpoena are copies of all of the documents that the Clark County Sheriff's Office records custodian produced in response to that subpoena, so I just wanted to give you that by way of background.

A. Okay.

- Q. You're free to review them in any detail you would like at this point. Our interest in them, obviously, was wherever your signature appeared, and that's what my couple of questions will pertain to.
 - A. That's my nickname.
 - Q. Apparently you were known by Nonie?
- A. Yes, in fact, one of my civil deputies called me "Noe Noe."

(Witness complied.)

- A. Okav.
- Q. All right. You've had a chance to look over these documents and, like I said, with my description I don't necessarily expect you to remember each entry on each document. But what I would like to do is direct you to the second to the last page of the document stapled together as Exhibit 4, it's entitled -- at the top it looks like Notice of Intent to Participate in Incentive Program, do you see that?
 - A. Uh-huh.

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MS. ZELLNER: Just a minute, I want to object 1 to that question. She gave reasons why the actual 2 signature to her indicates a forgery, but she gave you 3 other reasons, she had never notarized an inmate. 4 MR. FREIMUND: Well, Kathy, make an objection, 5 but come on, let's not play these games. 6 MS. ZELLNER: It's not a game, he's -- I'll 7 make the objection, he's mischaracterizing her entire 8 9 testimony. MR. BOGDANOVICH: Okay. And she's entitled to 10 11 object. 12 BY MR. BOGDANOVICH: 13 O. But my question to you is: Have you seen anything in these other signatures we see of yours in 14 15 Exhibit 4 that supports your statement about the "Ds" on the Ouit-Claim Deed being different than the way you 16 17 signed them? 18 19 this (indicating). 20 Okay. Let's get --

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- Yes, the "D", my "Ds" normally went down like

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- Those go underneath, they're not all the same.
- Before you get to the comment you just made, could you tell us which document by title in Exhibit 4, there are titles at the top of the documents.
 - A. Oh, okay, Health Enrollment Application.